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SUBJECT: PRESS REPORT ON SENATE APPROPRIATIONS SUB-
COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION OF SUPPORTING ASSISTANCE FOR
JAMAICA

WASHINGTON POST MARCH 17 REPORTED UNDER SECRETARY BENSON'S
TESTIMONY BEFORE SENATE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE.
ARTICLE SAID INTER ALIA QUOTE THE FISCAL YEAR 1978 MILI-
TARY SECURITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, WHICH MUST BE APPROVED
BY INOUE'S SUBCOMMITTEE, ALSO CAME UNDER ATTACK FOR PRO-
POSING DOLS 10 MILLION IN AID FOR JAMAICA AND BECAUSE OF
CONFUSION OVER THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION'S LINKAGE OF
HUMAN RIGHTS AND MILITARY ASSISTANCE.

QUOTE WHEN BENSON DEFENDED THE JAMAICA AID ON THE GROUNDS
OF THE ISLAND'S SERIOUS ECONOMIC PROBLEMS, SCHWEIKER ASKED
WHAT THAT HAD TO DO WITH SECURITY SUPPORTING ASSISTANCE.

QUOTE SCHWEIKER SAID THAT CUBANS ARE TRAINING THE JAMAICAN
SECURITY FORCES AND, CITING HIS EXPERIENCE ON THE SENATE
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INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE, CALLED THAT "THE CODE WORD".

QUOTE "WHO'S TRAINING WHOSE POLICE", SCHWEIKER SAID, "THAT'S
THE WHOLE KEY." UNQUOTE
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